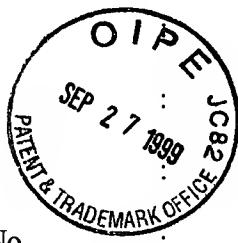


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Application of : Stanton L. Gerson
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For : Hematopoietic Progenitor Cell Gene Transduction
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicant requests an Extension of Time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated June 23, 1999 in the above-entitled application. It is requested that the response due date be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for (Small Entity):

- (X) one month (\$110.00) () three months (\$950.00)
() two months (\$400.00) () four months (\$1,510.00)

to September 23, 1999.

The fee set for this Extension of Time is paid by enclosed check and any necessary additional fees for this paper may be charged or overpayments credited Deposit Account No. 03-0678.

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